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Dear Parents & Carers,

Last week was very exciting and busy as we were surrounded by young people joining the Youth Strike 4 climate march. This event followed on from the work that the children completed during 'Earth Week'. We are very proud of the children and the way in which they are making decisions about changes we all make. Thank you to all of the school community for your understanding about closing both schools.

This term is a busy one at Cathedral Primary. On Thursday 5th March we will be celebrating World Book Day. This is a day we all look forward to when staff and children dress up as book characters. The staff have been very busy discussing costume ideas! We are wondering how long it will take the children to spot the connection and work out the theme in this year's staff costumes.

As many of you will already know we are delighted to report that planning permission for the playground has now been approved. I would like to thank all the parents who wrote statements of support to go with our submission to the local authority. We are now working closely with Touchwood (Playground design company) to plan the timeline for the start and end of this project. Although this project has taken much longer than we anticipated it will be a wonderful, creative play space for the children.

We look forward to seeing you all at the events over this next term. There will be an information evening about Year 1 Phonics Screening and Key Stage 1 SATs. There will also be a parent consultation evening. Please look out for the details of these events.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Best Wishes
Sara Yarnold and the CPS Team

Cathedral Primary School PTA

The PTA AGM is taking place on Monday 23rd March 2020 at 2pm at the school. All parents/carers and staff, as members of the PTA, are invited to support the AGM. As with previous years, each of the Committee roles will be vacated and will need to be voted on and elected/re-elected but we can only do so if we have quorum at the meeting. We would be really grateful for your attendance if you can make it. The AGM is also a chance to hear how the funds you have helped to raise have been used this last year.

If you would like to stand for a Committee role, please let the PTA know in advance of the AGM. Details of what each of the roles entail can be found on the PTA section of the school website. Being part of the PTA Committee is very rewarding and enables you to be directly involved in the way the PTA supports the school through fundraising and putting on events and activities for the children. The current Committee have created templates to assist with running the PTA and would support any handover to new members that are elected.

In other news, cake sales will continue for the remainder of this Term and the rota can be found below. We will move to ice lollies after Easter. Please note, we will be donating the proceeds of the cake sale held on Friday 13th March to Sport Relief as part of the School's donation to this cause. As always, thank you very much for your continued support of Cake Friday.

We hope to see you at the AGM.

All the best

CPS PTA

Contact us on: cathedralprimaryschoolpta@gmail.com or find us on Facebook: CPS PTA



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Friday - Cake Sale Rota

Friday 6th March	Year 5 Year 6
Friday 13th March	Sport Relief - All Classes
Friday 20th March	Year 1 & Year 2
Friday 27th March	Year 3 & Year 4
Friday 3rd April	Last Cake Sale - All Classes

Attendance

While we understand the difficulties of our city centre location and problems some of you may face with rush hour traffic, we would like to remind you all of the importance of children arriving on time for school. This gives them the best possible start to the day and helps them feel settled ready to learn. Children who arrive late not only miss registration and meal selection, they can often feel unsettled as lessons have already begun and initial input from the teachers will have already been given.

Just before half term, over the course of one week, we had 97 children who arrived late for school. This really does have an impact on learning.

☆☆ Attendance This Month ☆☆

This School Target is 97%

Whole School this month is:	94.7%
The Classes that achieved the school target are:	No classes reached the target this month.

From the Office

We have been reminded by the Estates Team the importance of locking all bikes and scooters in the bike park. While we try to ensure the gate is closed, this cannot be guaranteed.

If your child is absent from school due to illness, don't forget to contact the office each day of the absence giving the reason why. Please don't use 'poorly' or 'unwell' as we need accurate reasons for our records.

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 2nd March	Reception Forest School
Monday 2nd March	Year 2 PE at Failand AM
Tuesday 3rd March	Year 1 Phonics Information Evening 6 - 7pm
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day - come to school dressed as your favorite book character
Thursday 5th March	String Concert (Violin) - 3.40
Monday 9th March	Reception Forest School
Tuesday 10th March	Parents Evening 4 - 7pm
Thursday 12th March	Parents Evening 4 - 7pm
Friday 13th March	Sport Relief - children can come to school dressed in sports related clothes, such as, football/rugby kit, ballet clothes, CPS PE kit etc. We are asking for a donation towards this event and will be doing something sporty on the day - details to follow.
Monday 16th March	Reception Forest School
Monday 16th March	Year 2 PE at Failand AM
Tuesday 17th March	Year 2 SATs information evening
Thursday 19th March	CST Trust Concert, Bristol Cathedral 6 - 8pm
Monday 23rd March	Reception Forest School
Monday 23rd March	Year 2 PE at Failand AM
Monday 3rd March	PTA AGM 2pm
Thursday 26th March	Piano Concert - 3.45, Small Hall
Monday 30th March	Reception Forest School
Monday 30th March	Year 2 PE at Failand AM
Friday 3rd April	Last Day of Term
Monday 20th April	Term Begins
Please check the school website calendar for any updates.	



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Green Team

Green Team are still flying high after the success of Earth Week. The whole school worked hard to reduce lunchtime food waste from 27kg a day to 19kg. We had lunch monitors, clean plate stickers and a special Bristol Waste assembly. The Shoe Swap was a huge success and it was great to see so many families joining the fun! Thank you for your support with our pledgehog, I have loved seeing all the positive changes our families and children are making to look after our world.

Thank you

Miss Tennant and the Green Team

Shine

As February comes to an end we have a few changes to this terms programme.

Monday now has the addition of football for Reception - Year 3. Thursday football is no longer running.

It has been brought to my attention about the availability and all I can say on this point is we open up the highest availability possible, that means all children are safe and having the best possible experience.

Finally, I am now using a new email address:

James@myshine.co.uk

Any questions that's the best way to get hold of me.

Many thanks,
James Woodman

CPS Instagram

There is a huge amount of creativity going on at CPS. We would love to share the children's work with you via our Art Instagram: @cathedralprimaryart

CPS Governors

We are delighted to announce that Troy Roe has recently been elected as the new parent governor at Cathedral Primary School and that Danuta Perryer has been elected as the new staff governor.